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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF
The Alpena County Board of Supervisors
OCTOBER SESSION 1916

County Clerk's Office
Alpena, Mich., Oct. 9, 1916

Pursuant to the statute the Board of Supervisors for the county of Alpena, met in annual session at the office of the county clerk, in the court house in the city of Alpena, on Monday, October 9, 1916, and was called to order at 10:00 a. m. by the chairman.

Roll called the following members being present: Supervisors, Alfred E. Ash, John Beck, Joseph Cobb, Richard Coombs, Amos B. Crow, Roscoe Ellsworth, Egbert H. Fox, Roland Hughes, John B. Lunney, Henry W. Portwine, Moses Sharp, William T. Sleator, Joseph St. Charles, Louis J. Van Sipe, William F. Woelk and George Mousette.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS

Committee Meeting of June 29, 1916
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County:

Your committee on Claims and Accounts respectfully submit the following as their report, recommending the allowance of the several amounts as given below, and that the clerk be authorized to draw orders for the same:

Long Rapids Board of Health

Chauncey Purdy\$ 1.50
B. B. Norton 3.70

County Bills

Richmond & Backus65
Doubleday Bros. & Co. 27.50
Seeman Peters 1.50
Fred S. Drake 15.00
W. M. Welch Mfg. Co. 24.66
Alpena Ptg. Studio 6.25
Adams Book Store 3.85
Onaway Alpena Tel. Co.32
James E. Denton 2.00
County Clerk 12.82
Fred G. Widdis 4.97
E. L. Little 13.05
M. N. Bedford & Co. 8.00
Jos. Przykucki 4.40
Archie McLean 1.10
Herman Thom 4.90
West Union Tel. Co.31

Boston Restaurant 9.90
John Simmons 129.60
John Simmons 8.10
John Simmons 220.50
John Simmons 8.90
Gideon J. Burton 72.00
John Keating 72.00
George Stovel 72.00
Auditing Committee 17.80
Dated, June 29, 1916.

JOHN BECK
H. W. PORTWINE
A. B. CROW.

Committee on Claims and Accounts.
Committee Meeting of July 26, 1916
City Board of Health

Mrs. Mary O'Brien\$ 22.50
James A. Speng 4.20
C. M. Williams 11.00
Drs. Secrist & Secrist 19.00
Dr. Dunlop 5.00

County Bills

Doubleday Bros. & Co. 1.31
Doubleday Bros. & Co. 1.26
Richmond & Backus 3.75
Fred S. Drake 5.50
Sepull Pharmacy 1.25
Orcutt & Bishop 5.00
Pioneer Mfg. Co. 27.30
Western Union Tel. Co. ... 1.69
County Clerk 24.84
Eddy Engineering Co. 260.00
A. Linke & Son 25.00
Alpena Hardware Co. 2.30
J. E. Denton 63.00
J. E. Denton 55.00
Onaway Alpena Telephone Co. .40
Geo. W. Stovel 66.00
Gideon Burton 66.00
John Keating 66.00
Baker Paper Co. 25.52
E. L. Little 6.00
Roland Hughes 4.00
John Wilson 8.00
A. F. Kendziorski 1.00
A. F. Kendziorski 7.00
Tom Hazel 17.94
Tom Hazel 8.19
John Simmons 26.75
John Simmons 122.40
John Simmons 8.40
John Simmons 164.75
John Simmons 73.40
Dr. O. Bertram 10.00
Dr. W. Henryes 5.00

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D. A. Cameron 15.00
 E. W. Kierst Hdw. Co. 12.77
 M. C. Champion25
 City of Alpena 8.00
 Auditing Committee 17.80
 Dated, July 26, 1916.

JOHN BECK
 H. PORTWINE
 A. B. CROW.

Committee on Claims and Accounts
 Committee Meeting of Aug. 30, 1916.

County Bills

Doubleday Bros. & Co. 10.14
 Doubleday Bros. & Co. 25.70
 Doubleday Bros. & Co. 15.26
 Todd Protectograph Co. .. 25.00
 Alpena Echo Pub. Co. 23.80
 John P. VanHemel 2.00
 Huron Ptg. Co. 1.25
 Geo. Stovel 84.00
 Gideon J. Burton 84.00
 John Keating 84.00
 Remington Typewriter Co. . 2.25
 Seaman & Peters75
 Onaway Alpena Tel. Co. ... 1.39
 Western Union Tel. Co. 1.06
 Hawley & Fitzgerald 14.36
 C. W. Champion 1.00
 Mich. Laundry 5.20
 Alpena Hdw. Co. 32.70
 E. H. VanNocker 1.50
 E. H. VanNocker 3.00
 A. H. Briggs 6.00
 Island Mill Lbr. Co. 2.00
 Richardson Lbr. Co. 27.50
 Board of Election Com. 27.00
 Alec C. Green 3.00
 John Beck 4.00
 Geo. Mousette 15.00
 Wm. Woelk 15.00
 Alfred E. Ash 15.00
 H. Gagnon 1.80
 Gebhardt & Morrow 2.70
 Oliver & Hanson81
 E. L. Little 4.00
 John Simmons 24.15
 John Simmons 145.00
 John Simmons 9.80
 John Simmons 75.40
 John Simmons 173.35
 Alpena News Pub. Co. 265.00
 Dr. D. A. Cameron 25.00
 Dr. S. T. Bell 10.00
 Dr. W. Henrys 21.00
 Dr. W. Henrys 10.75
 County Clerk 13.84
 Aud. Committee 17.80

City Board of Health

E. J. LaLonde 62.60
 Sepull's Pharmacy10
 James A. Spens 3.90
 James A. Spens 1.00
 James A. Spens80

James A. Spens20
 Rebecca McFayden 3.65
 Mrs. Louise Holmes Estate . 6.85
 Hawley & Fitzgerald 2.68
 Dated, Aug. 30, 1916.

JOHN BECK
 A. B. CROW
 H. W. PORTWINE.

Committee on Claims and Accounts.
 Committee Meeting of Sept. 27, 1916
 City Board of Health

Mrs. Ellen Ermel 60.00
 Mrs. L. Fleck 48.00
 E. J. LaLonde 1.60
 E. J. LaLonde 41.10
 James A. Spens 2.30
 James A. Spens 15.10
 Mrs. Carl Tamrick 4.92
 Philip Eller 3.00
 John Berg 3.83
 J. S. Szczukowski 16.99
 Island Mill Lbr. Co. 3.10

County Bills

Dr. O. Bertram 10.25
 Alpena Eve. News 49.70
 Alpena Eve. News 24.50
 Alpena Daily Echo 24.50
 Gideon J. Burton 122.00
 Geo. W. Stovel 122.00
 John Keating 122.00
 Geo. J. Ouelette 6.40
 Fred Miller 1.20
 Archie McLean 1.20
 West Publishing Co. 12.50
 Roland Hughes 8.00
 West. Union Tel. Co. 3.06
 Fred G. Widdis 3.52
 Carl R. Henry 21.00
 E. J. Gray 3.50
 Alpena Hdw. Co. 1.35
 Blackburn & Co. 65.00
 Ihling Bros. Everard Co.66
 J. H. Shutts 46.84
 Jos. Ayotte 1.60
 Alpena Laundry Co. 5.20
 M. N. Bedford & Co. 195.24
 M. N. Bedford & Co. 379.11
 Auditing Committee 17.80
 A. F. Kendziorski 9.90
 Indiana State Atlas Guide
 Co. 25.00
 P. Van Baalen 13.50
 Doubleday Bros. Co. 50.00
 Adams Book Store 2.90
 Wm. F. Woelk 4.00
 John Beck 4.00
 John Simmons 193.03
 John Simmons 166.50
 John Simmons 23.25
 John Simmons 11.20
 John Simmons 10.75
 John Simmons 109.20

Henry W. Portwine 8.00
Ford H. Wilbur 87.25

Sept. 27, 1916.

JOHN BECK

H. W. PORTWINE

A. B. CROW.

Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Moved by Sup. Woelk and supported by Sup. Sharp that the several reports of the committee on Claims and Accounts be allowed, recommendations concurred in and orders drawn for same.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Mousette. 16. Nays, none.

Dr. A. E. Bonneville appeared before the Board in regard to a ditch to drain the water off his farm and asked that the Board take some action on same.

The Chair referred the above matter to the Road and Bridge committee to investigate and report at this session of the Board.

Moved by Sup. Portwine and supported by Sup. Woelk that the Board take a recess until 2:00 o'clock p. m. Carried unanimously.

AFTERNOON SESSION

County Clerk's Office, Oct. 9, 1916

The Board of Supervisors met in the County Clerk's office and was called to order by the chairman at 2:00 o'clock p. m.

Roll called all members being present.

COMMUNICATIONS

Auditor General's Department

Lansing, Mich., Sept. 30, 1916

To the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alpena.

Sir:—You are hereby notified that a state tax has been apportioned to the several counties of the state according to the last returns of the aggregate valuation of taxable property therein made to this office and as equalized and determined by the State Board of Equalization, at their session in August 1916.

The amount of state tax apportioned to your county under various acts of the legislature is as follows: to wit: \$25,272.91.

Very respectfully,

O. B. FULLER,

Auditor General.

Moved by Supervisor Fox and supported by Supervisor Ash that the statement of the auditor general be referred to the Ways and Means committee. Carried.

McRAE HOSPITAL APPROPRIATION

Mr. Malcolm McPhee appeared before the Board in regards to the McRae hospital and asked for an appropriation of \$1,000.00 to help defray the expenses of same.

Moved by supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Beck, that the sum of one thousand dollars be raised by tax to be levied on the property of Alpena county subject to taxation for county purposes, to be used to assist in maintaining the Donald McRae hospital or in assisting in the construction and maintenance of additions thereto in the city of Alpena. That said tax be included in the Contingent appropriation spread upon the 1916 roll and collected as other taxes for county of Alpena purposes. That said sum be available after January 15, 1917, to be paid by the treasurer of the county of Alpena pursuant to the provisions of Act 139 Public Acts of 1909, under which this appropriation is raised upon the warrants of the president and secretary of the Alpena Hospital Association. --

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Mousette. Nays, none.

REPORTS

Report of County Road Commissioners

State of Michigan ss

County of Alpena

I, Roderick L. McGillis, clerk of the county and clerk of the Board of County Road Commissioners for said county, do hereby certify that the Board of County Road Commissioners of Alpena county, at its meeting on October 7th, 1916, ordered a 2½ Mil Tax on the assessed valuation of said county to be levied for the purpose of laying out, building and repairing and maintaining the following county roads, for the ensuing year, to wit:

DISTRICT NO. 1

John Keating, Commissioner.

54.30 Miles.

237 71.00 17 Dunes 11.50

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Long Swamp Road	\$1,000.00
Long Rapids and Orchard	..
Hill Road	2,000.00
Selina Road	1,000.00
Posen Road	2,000.00
French Road	500.00
Long Lake Road	3,000.00
Cathro Road	500.00

Total10,000.00

DISTRICT NO. 2

Gideon J. Burton, Commissioner.
37.31 Miles

Lachine Road	3,000.00
Range Line Road	3,000.00
Wilson Road	3,000.00
Selina Road	250.00
Hobson Road	350.00
Stubbs Road	400.00

Total10,000.00

DISTRICT NO. 3

George Stovel, Commissioner
38:00 Miles.

Spratt Werth Road	4,000.00
Hubbard Lake Road	3,000.00
Sanborn Road	1,000.00
Jackson-Branch Road	1,000.00
Wilson Road, Diamonds	
cor. Dege corner.....	1,000.00

Total10,000.00

Grand Total30,000.00

RODERICK L. McJILLIS

Clerk of the Board of County Road Commissioners.

Report of. Superintendents of the Poor

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County, State of Michigan.

Gentlemen

The superintendents of the poor for Alpena County, State of Michigan take pleasure in submitting to you the following report for the year ending September 30th, 1916.

Number of male indigents maintained in the County Infirmary during the year35

Number of female 4

Total39

Average for the year25

Nationality as follows:

Scotch, 4; Irish, 6; German, 9; English, 8; French, 8; Norwegian, 1; Russian, 1; Polish, 2.

Number of deaths at the Infirmary 3

Number of indigents at present 23

Poor fund appropriations\$10,000.00

Balance on hand, Oct. 5,

. 1915 1,986.20

Paid County Treasurer ..	238.50
	<u>12,224.70</u>

Disbursements

Salary of keeper	\$ 600.00
County Physician	800.00
Labor Acct	508.75
Superintendent's Acct.	900.00
Transportation	55.72
Burial Acct.	195.50
Medicine	152.08
Fuel	394.04
Meat	460.19
Repairs	498.74
Electric Light	55.06
Clothing	192.73
Groceries & Provisions ..	1,123.82
Telephone	32.42
Furniture	12.25
Expense Acct.	13.50

5,994.80

Temporary relief to 119 families 6,747.10

Total12,741.90

Recapitulation

Temporary Relief	\$6,747.10
County House & Farm ..	3,430.08
Incidental Expense	264.72
Salary of Keeper	600.00
County Physician	800.00
Superintendent's Service ..	900.00

12,741.90

List of families who received relief and amounts, as follows: ..

John Ducharme	\$ 30.49
Mrs. Mary Belland	70.20
George Denham	60.38
Mrs. LaDouceur	80.00
Mrs. H. Lytle	79.50
Mrs. Dubey	25.70
Mrs. A. W. Bates	104.25
Mrs. Jos. Garant	41.74
Mrs. K. McGilvery	82.25
Sam McRae	208.25
Mrs. Brunett	3.00
Mrs. M. Joiner	89.41
Mrs. Sims	93.35
Mrs. H. Au Clair	88.90
Mrs. P. Laflure jr.	157.51
Mrs. Piaskowski	114.00
Mrs. P. Laflure sr.	117.40
Mrs. Nearing	72.00
Mrs. M. Rembowski	84.00
Mat Musinske	92.00
Mrs. Putkumber	73.50
John Watson	73.50
Mrs. Dunakowski	74.25
Mrs. Partake	10.75
Wm. White	165.35

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Mrs. Dupuis	102	Mrs. Idalski	4.00
Mrs. LaChance	78.15	Mrs. Wilt	4.00
Mrs. Dehnke	150.51	Fred Wolf	55.35
Mrs. John Hart	86.00	Mrs. Parks	3.50
Philip Lest	98.75	Mrs. Alex Seguin	4.50
Eph Country	59.13	Mrs. McClusky	2.50
Mrs. H. Paul	104.85	Frank Bertram	2.98
Mrs. A. Cameron	24.00	Angus Dunokowski	8.00
Mrs. Chas. Walters	132.67	Mrs. Barrett	9.45
Mrs. M. Martin	49.83	Mrs. J. Treaster	56.00
J. LaCompt	114.25	John Keetch	34.05
Chas. Whitlock	5.00	Mrs. B. Hubbard	2.00
Mrs. R. O'Toole	182.15	Alex Vasser	9.57
Mrs. A. Spain	144.00	John Koniski	7.50
Mrs. Zobeek	72.00	Mrs. Wojik	7.50
Mrs. Walmsley	26.55	Jas. H. Edgely	7.00
Mrs. McGinty	54.25	Mrs. J. Laundry80
Mrs. Poerlesky	108.50	George Tharp	3.70
Mrs. L. McDonald	104.00	Mrs. P. Burdette	46.00
Mrs. Schreader	118.35	Mrs. Cedar	6.00
Mrs. C. O'Toole	129.61	Mrs. Chas. Smith	60.50
George Cook	31.29	Mrs. Geo. Hibner	8.75
H. Bartrand	8.63	Mrs. M. Zoimanski	15.00
Mrs. Andrews	82.84	Peter Spindler	22.00
Mrs. Janeschski	78.00	Mrs. Gutkowski	6.00
Jacob Kellischefski	28.25		
S. Huyck	3.00		
			6,191.77
	4,268.62	Irving Donaldson	28.00
James Perry	96.00	Lizzie Roerig	13.65
Mrs. Bisson	144.00	Wm. Laube	19.43
Jcs. LaCrosse	61.25	Mrs. Jos. Sylvester	115.90
Pat Eagan	58.46	Mrs. Simmons	3.50
John Campbell	114.50	Mrs. Blanchard	1.50
John Tamerick	6.00	Philip Cowell	15.15
Frank Zoimanski	29.75	Mrs. P. Zink	162.00
Mrs. Paul Lafinier	8.00	W. D. Brooks	104.50
Mrs. Burnete	1.50	M. Katowski	90.20
Mrs. Hallop	2.00	Mrs. Amous	1.50
Mrs. J. Kelley	56.50		
Victor Mainville	12.50	Total	6,747.10
Frank Gerzequill	74.27	Respectfully submitted	
William Smaltz	183.65	W. E. CARR	
Joseph Eicher	66.00	THOMAS JERMIN.	
Mrs. A. Resteau	87.00	Superintendents of Poor.	
Mrs. Ward60	The Chair referred the above re-	
Gordon Perchard	74.50	port to the Committee on Poor.	
Grant Isacason	3.00	Alpena County Agricultural Society	
Abel Bates	76.95	Report	
Mrs. James Anderson	66.50	REPORT OF THE ALPENA	
Mrs. Patton	68.35	COUNTY FAIR	
Mrs. Lemiczewak	15.50	Sept. 26, 27, 28, 1916.	
Jas. Center	98.55	Receipts	
Anthony Schemanski	74.85	Entries	\$ 77.00
Edward White	8.65	Grandstand	127.05
Eli Brunette	5.00	Concessions	90.50
Fred Powell	3.00	To receive from state	200.00
			494.55
	5,765.45	Expenditures	
Nelson Pratt	10.05	Premiums	\$766.75
Louis Thessie	9.00	Help	124.05
Edward Gerow	20.62	Officers' Salary	200.00

Races	250.00
Ball Game	40.00
Premium list and advertising	80.72
Straw for bedding	14.60
Incidentals	16.66
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	1,492.78

Deficits 998.23
ALPENA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY REPORT ..

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:
Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned, Fred N. Potter, president and Fred L. Olds, secretary of the Alpena County Agricultural society, do hereby certify, under oath, that the Alpena County Agricultural society has raised and paid out for the advancement of agriculture in Alpena county more than one hundred dollars during the year 1916. We ask your honorable Board for an appropriation of one-tenth of a mill, as provided by law.

FRED N. POTTER, President.
FRED L. OLDS, Secretary.

State of Michigan
ss
County of Alpena

Fred N. Potter and Fred L. Olds, president and secretary of the Alpena County Agricultural society, being duly sworn, say that the above certificate is true.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, a Notary Public, this 3rd day of October, A. D. 1916.

JOSEPHINE ROZEN.

Notary Public, in and for Alpena county, Michigan. My commission expires June 14, 1920.

Moved by Supervisor Woelk and supported by Supervisor Coombs that the sum of \$998.23 be raised by tax to be levied upon the property of Alpena county, subject to taxation for county purposes, said sum to cover the deficit of the Alpena County Agricultural Society for the year 1916. That said tax be included in the contingent appropriation spread upon the 1916 roll and collected as other taxes for county purposes; said sum to be paid by the County Treasurer upon the order of the Board of Supervisors signed by the chairman and countersigned by the clerk of said board and payable to the Alpena County

Agricultural society. This appropriations made, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 5947, 8, 9, of the Compiled Laws of 1897 and to be available as soon as there are funds in the hands of the County Treasurer from which the same can be paid.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles Van Sipe, Woelk and Wousette, 15. Nays, Supervisor Lunney, 1.

APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Supervisor Woelk and supported by Supervisor Van Sipe that we proceed to make the several appointments and that the chairman appoint two tellers. Carried.

The chairman appointed Supervisors Van Sipe and Ellsworth.

JANITOR

Supervisor Woelk placed in nomination the name of Archie Stewart.

Moved by Supervisor Sharp and supported by Supervisor Woelk that there being no other nominations, that the rules be suspended and the clerk instructed to cast the entire vote of the Board for Archie Stewart for janitor of the Court House for the ensuing year.

The whole number of votes cast was sixteen of which Archie Stewart received sixteen.

Archie Stewart having received all the votes cast was declared elected janitor of the Court House for the ensuing year from Jan. 1, 1917 to Jan. 1, 1918.

SCHOOL EXAMINER

Supervisor Sharp presented the name of Helen Cathro.

The clerk read the applications of Mr. Joseph Cavanagh and Mr. T. Ben Johnson.

The Board proceeded to ballot with the following result: First ballot: Mr. Johnston received 5 Mr. Cavanagh 6 and Miss Cathro 5. Total 16. Second ballot: Mr. Johnston received 6, Mr. Cavanagh 7 and Miss Cathro 3. Total 16. Third ballot: Mr. Johnston received 10 Mr. Cavanagh 6, Miss Cathro none. Total 16.

Mr. T. Ben Johnston having received a majority of all the votes

cast on the third ballot, he was declared elected School Examiner for the ensuing two years.

SUPERINTENDENT OF THE POOR

The following applications were read by the clerk. Mr. W. E. Carr Mr. K. C. McIvor, Mr. Anthony Rosenfield and Mr. David Sexsmith.

The Board proceeded to ballot with the following result:

Mr. W. E. Carr, received 14 votes.

Mr. K. C. McIvor received 1 vote.

Mr. David Sexsmith received 1 vote.

Mr. Anthony Rosenfield received 0 vote.

Total, 16 votes.

Mr. W. E. Carr having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Superintendent of the Poor for the ensuing three years.

County Canvassers

Moved by Supervisor Beck and supported by Supervisor Woelk that the rules be suspended and the clerk instructed to cast the vote of the entire Board for Messrs. Charles Buelow, Evert Horton and Andrew M. McLearn for County Canvassers for the ensuing two years; and that they receive \$4.00 per day and 10 cents a mile in the performance of their duties. Carried unanimously.

Messrs. Charles Buelow, Evert Horton and Andrew M. McLearn having received all the votes cast, were declared elected County Canvassers for the ensuing two years.

Custodian of the Fair Grounds

Moved by Supervisor Woelk and supported by Supervisor Hughes that the rules be suspended and the clerk instructed to cast the vote of the entire Board for Charles Leavitt as custodian of the Fair Grounds for the ensuing year. Carried unanimously.

The number of votes cast was sixteen of which Charles Leavitt received sixteen.

Charles Leavitt having received all the votes cast was declared elected custodian of the Fair Grounds for the ensuing year.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Ash that the Board adjourn until tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock a. m. Carried.

R. L. MCGILLIS, Clerk.

Approved

GEORGE MOUSETTE,
Chairman.

TUESDAY'S SESSION

County Clerk's Office.

Oct. 10, 1916.

Pursuant to adjournment the Board of Supervisors met in the County Clerk's office and was called to order by the chairman at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

Roll called, all members being present.

Them inutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Agricultural Experts' Report

Moved by Supervisor Beck and supported by Supervisor Ellsworth that the report of the Alpena County Agricultural Experts be received, placed on file and spread at length on the minutes of this meeting. Carried unanimously.

Semi-annual report, March 20 to October 1, 1916.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Alpena County.

Gentlemen:

A brief summary of the work done by the County Agent during the six months just past is herewith respectfully submitted:

Statistical Summary:

Miles traveled by Agent	5,240
Cals on farmers	377
Days in field	116
Demonstrations started	25
Demonstrations visited	30
Meetings held at demonstra	
tions	15
Attendance at such meetings	229
Other meetngs held or address-	
ed	21
Attendance at such meetings	1,354
Days in office	48
Calls on agent at office	212
Telephone calls to and from	
office	318
Letters written	317
Articles written for the local	
press	9
Bulletins distributed to farm-	
ers	205

Publicity:

Nine articles have been prepared for the local press, all of these articles were on timely topics of interest to farmers. Aside from these articles, a good many news items have been given to the reporters for publication.

It has been the aim of the agent to warn the farmers of any particular pest or disease so that control measures could be taken.

Live stock:

This country is and should be

primarily a live stock county. The production of high grade dairy and beef cattle has been encouraged. Suggestions have been given several farmers in regard to remodeling barns, both for dairy and beef cattle.

Several large grazing propositions have been visited by the agent, in almost every case, they have been found to be profitable.

On August 3rd., a Dairy Fair was held at Leer. All animals shown at this fair were of the Guernsey breed. Thirty seven head were exhibited. In the cow class we had twenty three animals shown. Prof. Dennison of M. A. C. who judged the cattle, made the remark that this was one of the largest number of grade dairy cows ever shown in one class in the state of Michigan. Seven years ago, the Leer Guernsey Breeders Association was organized. The great showing of Guernsey cattle at this fair was made possible by the work that has been done by this association during the past seven years. It is planned to make this fair an annual event. In the course of a short time, we will have surplus stock to dispose of. It is planned then to extend the time for the fair to two days, the second day will be given over to a public live stock sale. This will give us an outlet; in other words, a market.

Soils and Crops:

We have in this country conditions that are natural for the growing of clover and alfalfa. Quite a big percentage of the land contains sufficient lime for the profitable growing of alfalfa. On soils that are deficient in lime, enough is added to correct the acidity; then alfalfa growing is possible. Something over two hundred acres have been seeded to this greatest of all hay plants this summer. Some of this land was limited at the agent's suggestion and some did not need lime. As soon as the farmers in Alpena county fill their barns with clover and alfalfa hay and have silos filled with good ensilage, their feeding problems will be solved.

Vetch, another valuable legume, has been started in the county. Vetch seed can be produced here as

a cash crop. The forage that will be left after the seed is taken out is a good feed for cattle. The possibilities of this crop are as yet unappreciated in this section.

One of the principle projects this year has been the work with the potato crop. Over thirty five farmers will save some hill selected seed this fall. The agent will assist in the selection of this seed. All of these fields were inspected once during the growing season. The potato fields in the country are quite free from disease. If timely selection of seed is made, we can keep these diseases well under control. In as much as this crop is one of our best cash crops, too much time can not be spent in building it up.

Due to the very high price of spraying material this season, the spraying of potatoes for blight was not advised.

Some work has been done with fruit. Several pruning demonstrations were given and suggestions on the control of the different diseases.

One tiling demonstration was given. There is a good deal of land in the country that needs tile drainage. Next year, we will have the results of this demonstration to show.

Organization:

A Pure Bred Seed Association was organized in Wilson township. We have eleven members to start with. Through this association we have introduced this fall, Red Rock wheat and Rosen rye; both are pedigreed grains. In the spring, pure bred varieties of oats will be introduced. The object of the association is to introduce pure and better varieties of grain.

Farm Management:

About seventy farm account books have been placed among the farmers of the county this year. This work has been going on for the last two years. These account books are turned over to the Farm Demonstration Expert at East Lansing at the end of the year and the business of each farm is analyzed. Suggestions are then given to these farmers on how they may change their farming systems to get a better income.

Miscellaneous:

There are many items of minor importance that is hard to tabulate.

Scarcely a farm visit is made for a single purpose alone. Usually several subjects are discussed. There is no way of estimating to what extent these suggestions have been carried out or how much good they have done. One of the biggest things we can accomplish is to get the farmers to think; study their business as a merchant has to study his. In other words, we want our farmers to be students of agricultural problems.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID WOODMAN,
County Agricultural Agent.

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 9, 1916.
To the Hon. Board of Supervisors,
Alpena, Mich.

Gentlemen—I herewith submit my annual report as County Treasurer, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1916, as follows:

RECEIPTS

General Fund	\$ 7,303.76
Liquor Tax	10,565.00
Delinquent Tax	27,006.18
Poor Fund	238.50
Teachers Institute	53.00
State & Co. Taxes	126,848.41
Library Fund	87.00
Deer License	518.25
Primary School Fund	48,294.40
Loans	20,000.00
Inheritance Tax	3,501.37
Mortgage Tax	849.00
Gun License Fund	679.50
Interest on Deposits	480.91
Total	246,425.28

Disbursements

General Fund	\$ 1,540.38
Liquor Tax	5,335.32
Delinquent Taxes	7,255.91
Contingent	105,419.57
Co. Road Fund	27,426.79
State & Co. Taxes	34,474.92
Poor Fund	12,989.29
Witness & Jury Circuit Court	1,614.30
Witness & Jury Justice Court	79.55
Soldiers' Relief Fund	195.50
Primary School Fund	45,753.40
Teachers' Institute	58.00
Library	254.66
Inheritance Tax	3,496.37
Mortgage Tax	411.25
Total	246,305.21

Recapitulation

Balance on Hand, Oct. 1, 1915	\$ 5,149.80
Receipts for the year	246,425.28
Total	251,575.08
Disbursements for the year	\$246,305.21
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1916	5,269.87
	251,575.08

Liabilities

Accounts payable and moneys in funds.

Alpena Township Acct.	\$ 1,466.60
County Road Fund Acct.	6,966.52
City of Alpena	3,451.67
Fair Grounds Fund	66.94
Green Township Acct.	603.43
Long Rapids Township Acct.	134.66
Maple Ridge Twp. Acct.	170.11
Ossineke Township Acct.	1,040.65
Sanborn Township	2,928.21
Soldiers' Relief	142.53
Teachers' Institute	44.00
Wellington Twp.	146.76
Wilson Twp.	726.32

Total	17,888.95
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1916	\$ 5,269.87
Excess over Resources	12,619.08

Total 17,888.95
All of which is most respectfully submitted,

ALEX C. GREEN,
County Treasurer.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and supported by Supervisor Fox that the report of the County Treasurer, be accepted, placed on file, and spread at length on the minutes of this meeting and referred to the committee on Ways and Means. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and supported by Supervisor Crow that the chairman and clerk of this Board be authorized to borrow money from the banks of the county for the purpose of taking care of the deficiency.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Elslworth, Fox, Hughes Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Mousette. Nays, none.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Woelk

that the banks of the county be asked for sealed bids for loans and deposits and the bids be presented to the Board at this meeting.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Elsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays none.

Supervisor Ellsworth of the Road and Bridge committee reported the matter of the drainage on Dr. A. E. Bonneville's farm as taken care of by County Road Commissioner Stovel.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Fox that the Board adjourn until tomorrow at 10:00 a. m. to give the committees time to make out their reports. Carried unanimously.

Approved

GEORGE MOUSETTE,
Chairman.

R. L. MCGILLIS, Clerk.

WEDNESDAY'S MEETING

County Clerk's Office

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 11, 1916

Pursuant to adjournment the Board of Supervisors of the county of Alpena, met in the county clerk's office and was called to order by the chairman at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

Roll called all members being present.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Mr. W. H. Johnsen appeared before the Board and asked that an appropriation be made to complete the road in Town 30-6 and 30-7.

County Road Commissioner Stovel appeared before the Board and asked that the Board make an appropriation for the same road.

County Normal Training Class

A communication from Robert D. Ford, Superintendent of Schools reporting that the difference in salaries of the County Normal teachers and the amount to be paid by the state is \$700.00, of this sum one half should be paid by the county and one half by the city.

The Chair referred the communication to the Ways and Means committee.

State Association of Supervisors

A communication from the State

Association of Supervisors asking that the Board of Supervisors of Alpena county be represented by the chairman and at least one member of the Board at the State meeting to be held in Lansing, Mich., on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1917, was read.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and supported by Supervisor Sharp that the communication be received and placed on file. Carried.

County Auditor's Report

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 11, 1916.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County:
Gentlemen:

We, your committee appointed to audit the books of the County Treasurer, would respectfully report that in the months of January, April, July and October, we have carefully checked over the books of the County Treasurer for the previous quarter, crecked up his cash and his work and found the same to be correct and in excellent shape.

We may add that the system of bookkeeping worked out by County Treasurer Green during his term of office, has placed his office on a very high standard of efficiency. His courtesy and willingness to help the committee at all times in matters pertaining to taxation and county matters, is to be recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE MOUSSETTE
W. F. WOELK
ALFRED E. ASH,

County Auditors.

Moved by Supervisor Fox and supported by Supervisor Crow that the report of the County Auditors be received and placed on file. Carried.

REPORTS OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS

Gideon J. Burton's Report

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 10, 1916.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Alpena, Mich.

Gentlemen—I herewith submit my annual report as County Road Commissioner. for the year ending Sept. 30, 1916, as follows:

Receipts

Balance on hand	Oct. 1	
1915, -----		\$ 2,631.38
Apportionment 1915 tax		8,164.97
Received from Auto Tax		832.50

Delinquent Tax Apportionment -----	99.61
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	\$11,727.56

Disbursements

Money expended on Hillman Road -----	\$2,349.35
Money expended on Range Line Road -----	1,852.75
Money expended on Hobson Road -----	226.55
Money expended on Lachine Road -----	1,280.45
Money expended on Stubbs Road -----	2,670.95
Incidental expenses, tools etc. -----	254.43
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Total -----	8,634.48
Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1916, -----	3,093.03
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	11,727.56

Respectfully submitted,

GIDEON J. BURTON,

County Road Commissioner.

John Keating's Report

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 10, 1916.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Alpena, Mich.

Gentlemen—I herewith submit my report as County Road Commissioner from May 1, 1913 to Oct. 1, 1916, as follows:

Receipts

1913 Tax Apportionment	\$4,794.83
1913 Delinquent Tax Apportionment -----	649.17
1914 Tax Apportionment	6,458.27
1914 Delinquent Tax Apportionment -----	534.53
1915 Tax Apportionment	9,199.28
1915 Appropriation Long Swamp Culverts -----	548.75
1915 Appropriation Main River Bridge -----	3,000.00
1916 Tax Apportionment	8,164.07
1916 Auto Tax -----	832.50
1916 Delinquent Tax Apportionment -----	99.61
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	34,281.01

Disbursements

Orders drawn by James Briselden- -----	\$1,545.41
1913 money expended on Long Rapids Road ---	2,883.68
1913 Money expended on Long Lake Road -----	381.12
1913 Money expended on French Road -----	3.75
1913 Money expended on Long Swamp Road ---	76.48
1914 Money expended on	

Long Rapids Road ---	2,801.13
1914 Money expended on Long Lake Road -----	605.13
1914 Money expended on French Road -----	616.62
1914 Money expended on Long Swamp Road ---	3,164.62
1915 Money expended on Long Rapids Road ---	4,071.39
1915 Money expended on Long Lake Road ---	734.79
1915 Money expended on French Road -----	490.57
1915 Money expended on Long Swamp Road ---	2,754.44
1915 Money expended on Selina Road -----	3,108.49
1916 Money expended on Long Rapids Road ---	2,533.48
1916 Money expended on Long Lake Road ---	318.00
1916 Money expended on French Road -----	281.24
1916 Money expended on Long Swamp Road ---	2,917.85
1916 Money expended on Selina Road -----	1,485.03
1916 Money expended on Main River Bridge ---	3,025.50
1916 Incidental expenses	337.66
1916 Cathro Road -----	241.25
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Total -----	34,378.13

Total Receipts -----	\$34,281.01
Overdrawn -----	97.17
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	34,378.13

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KEATING.

George W. Stovel's Report

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 10, 1916.

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Alpena, Mich.

Gentlemen—I herewith submit my annual report as County Road Commissioner for the year ending Sep^r 30, 1916, as follows:

Receipts

Oct. 1, 1915, Balance on hand -----	\$ 674.79
Co. Road Tax Appt. 1915-	8,164.07
1 bbl. Paint ret. -----	7.70
Received from Auto Tax -	832.51
Del. Tax Apportionment -	99.61
Appropriation by Supervisors "Spratt Road" --	1,000.00
Check from W. H. Johnson "Spratt Road" ----	400.00
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Total -----	11,178.68

Disbursements

Money expended on Hubbard Lake Road -----	\$1,465.24
Money expended on Sanborn Road -----	942.13

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Money expended on Wilson Road -----	497.13
Money expended on Jackson Road -----	2,547.83
Money expended on Spratt Road -----	2,814.75
Incidental expenses, Tools, etc. -----	147.75
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	8,414.83
Oct. 1, 1916, Balance on hand -----	2,763.85
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	11,178.68

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. W. STOVEL,

County Road Commissioned.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Van Sipe that the several reports of the County Road Commissioners be received and placed on file. Carried.

Report of Committee on Ways and Means

Alpena, Mich., October 11, 1916.
To the Honorable, the Board of Supervisors:

Your committee on Ways and Means, beg leave to submit the following estimates of amounts necessary to be raised by tax in the county of Alpena, for the year 1916, and recommend the same for the following purposes, to wit:

Estate tax -----	\$25,272.91
County road tax -----	18,000.00
County road bonds -----	5,000.00
Interest on Co. bonds ---	4,500.00
Poor fund -----	12,000.00
Witness and jury -----	3,000.00
Building fund -----	1,000.00
Soldiers' relief fund -----	200.00
Contingent Fund -----	44,027.09
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Total -----	113,000.09

JOS. ST. CHARLES
WM. T. SLEATOR
RICHARD J. COOMBS
JOSEPH H. COBB.

Ways and Means Committee.

Moved by Supervisor Beck and supported by Supervisor Crow that the report of the Ways and Means Committee be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Crow, Hughes Lunney Sleator Woelk and Moussette. 9. Nays Supervisors Coombs, Ellsworth, Fox, Portwine, Sharp, St. Charles and VanSipe. 7.

County Normal Training Class.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and

supported by Supervisor Woelk, that the bill of the County Normal School for \$350.00 for Teacher's salary the amount that must be paid by the County be allowed.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth Fox Hughes Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Moved by Supervisor Crow and supported by Supervisor Coombs, that the Board take a recess until 2:00 o'clock P. M. Carried.

Afternoon Session.

County Clerk's Office Oct. 11, 1916.

The Board of Supervisors for the County of Alpena, met in the County Clerk's Office and was called to order by the Chairman at 2:20 o'clock P. M.

Roll called, all members being present excepting Supervisor Cobb.

County Depository and Loans.

Bids for the County Deposit of Public Funds of the County of Alpena under the provisions of Act. No. 99 of the Public Acts of 1909 and also bids for the loaning of Money to the County by the Banks were opened and read by the Clerk.

Alpena National Bank.

The Alpena National Bank bid 22 percent on daily balances and would loan the County money at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

Alpena County Savings Bank.

The Alpena County Savings Bank bid 2 percent on daily balances and would loan the County money at the rate of 6 percent per annum.

Moved by Supervisor Beck and supported by Supervisor Hughes, that the County business be divided between the Alpena National Bank and Alpena County Savings Bank and nearly equal as possible, both banks to furnish bonds.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes. Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Moved by Supervisor Crow, and supported by Supervisor Fox, that the Clerk of this Board be instruct-

ed to notify the Newspapers of the City of Alpena to present their bids for the printing of the Official Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors for the ensuing year. Carried.

County Sealer of Weights and Measures.

The Chair with the consent of the Board appointed Archie Stewart as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the County of Alpena for the ensuing year.

Supervisor Cobb entered and took his seat.

Agricultural Expert or Field Agent.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Van Sipe, that the sum of \$1,200 be appropriated for the services of a U. S. Agriculture expert or County Field Agent, for the year commencing October 1, 1916 to be paid at the same time and in the same manner as the compensation of other County officers, and that David Woodman be employed as such Field Agent or Agriculturist for the year ending, September 30, 1917.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Portwine, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. 14.

Nays, Supervisors, Lunney and Sharp. 2.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine, and supported by Supervisor, Fox, that the Chair appoint a Committee of three to make a report fixing the salaries of the County Officers for the ensuing two years. Carried.

The Chair appointed as such Committee, Supervisors, Sharp, Ash and Portwine.

Moved by Supervisor Sharp, and supported by Supervisor Fox, that Thursday, October 12 being a legal holiday, the Board adjourn until Friday at 10:00 o'clock A. M.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Portwine, Sharp, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. 14.

Nays, Supervisors, Lunney, Sleator. 2.

Supervisor Cobb asked permission

to change his vote from Aye to Nay. The request was granted. Vote. Yes. 13—Nay 3.

Approved,
GEORGE MOUSSETTE,
Chairman.

R. L. MC GILLIS,
Clerk.

Friday Meeting.

County Clerk's Office.
Alpena, Mich., Oct. 13, 1916.

Pursuant to adjournment the Board of Supervisors for the County of Alpena met in the County Clerk's Office and was called to order at 10:00 o'clock A. M. by the Chairman.

Roll called, all members being present.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Mrs. Bristol of the Michigan Children's Home Society appeared before the Board and explained the way the work was carried on by the Society and asked the Board for an appropriation to help carry on the work.

Tuberculos Home.

Miss Body, visiting nurse, appeared before the Board in regards to having a place to take care of the people affected with Tuberculosis until they could be taken to the Sanitorium.

Dr. J. D. Dunlop also spoke to the Board in regards to having a place to care for Tuberculosis people while waiting to be taken to the Sanitorium.

Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau.

Mr. Hill of the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau addressed the Board and asked that they appropriate \$500.00 for membership fee, the same as last year.

Moved by Supervisor Woelk and supported by Supervisor Ellsworth, that the Board take a recess until 1:30 P. M. Carried.

Afternoon Session.

County Clerk's Office.
Alpena, Mich., Oct. 13, 1916.

The Board of Supervisors for the County of Alpena met in the County Clerk's Office and was called to order at 1:30 P. M. by the Chairman.

Roll called all members being present.

A bill amounting to \$13.00 for aid rendered Sheriff Simmons in capturing Joseph LeBelle an insane man in Alpena Township was read.

Moved by Supervisor VanSipe and supported by Supervisor Beck, that the above bill be allowed and orders drawn for the same by the Clerk.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk, and Moussette. Nays, None.

Report of Committee on Poor.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 13, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County:
Gentlemen:

We, your Committee on Poor, beg leave to report that we have examined the report of the the Superintendents of the Poor, have compared all orders with the Superintendent's books, footed the same and find them correct.

There has been expended for Poor purposes the sum of \$12,741.90 leaving a balance on hand of

There has been redeemed by the County Treasurer orders amounting to \$11,903.75 leaving orders outstanding amounting to \$838.15.

We would respectfully recommend that the appropriation for the Poor be \$12,000.00 that amount to be spread upon the tax rolls for the ensuing year.

Respectfully,
RICHARD COOMBS,
ROSCOE ELLSWORTH,
LOUIS VAN SIPE,
Poor Committee.
WM. T. SLEATOR,
J. B. LUNNEY,
Poor Committee.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 13, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Alpena County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Poor, beg leave to recommend your Honorable body, that the Board of Supervisors instruct the Poor Commissioners of the County of Alpena to increase the Salary of the Keeper of the County House to \$75.00 per month.

We make this recommendation after inspecting the County House, and taking into consideration the amount of work done by Mr. and Mrs. Larrett, in keeping the property in the excellent condition that they keep it, and the care they take of the inmates.

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD COOMBS,
WM. T. SLEATOR,
ROSCOE ELLSWORTH,
LOUIS VAN SIPE,
J. B. LUNNEY.

Moved by Supervisor Woelk and supported by Supervisor VanSipe, that the report of the Committee on Poor be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Moved by Supervisor Crow and supported by Supervisor Sleator as an amendment to the above motion that the keeper of the County Poor House receive \$60.00 per month for his services.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk, and Moussette. Nays, None.

The original motion as amended then carried by the following vote—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk, and Moussette. Nays, None.

County Road Proposition.

Mr. H. K. Gustin presented the following petition and communication.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 12th, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County.
Gentlemen:

I, one of the largest tax-payers of this county, respectfully petition your honorable body to fix the compensation of the County Road Commissioners at \$75 per year, in accordance with the authority vested in you by Section 8 of the County Road Law; and that you instruct the Prosecuting Attorney to see that said commissioners comply with the provisions of the County Road Law in the following respect:

1st. That they hire a competent

County Highway Engineer.

2nd. That they let all road work by contract.

3rd. That they keep proper books of account.

4th. That all county road funds be expended by order of the County Road Commissioners, upon warrants signed by the Chairman and countersigned by the Clerk; and that the other provisions of the County Road Law are complied with.

My reasons for asking this are based on my communication of even date herewith.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY K. GUSTIN.

Moved by supervisor Crow, supported by Supervisor Lunney, that the communication of Mr. H. K. Gustin be received, placed on file and spread at length on the minutes of this meeting of the council.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, of Alpena County.

I wish to call your attention to the fact that the system in vogue in Alpena County in handling our county roads is entirely wrong.

It is in direct violation of the spirit and in many cases the letter of the County Road Law. The result being that it costs too much to administer the County Road fund. And it cost too much to build and maintain the county roads.

This county is building roads in the same expensive way that roads were built 100 years ago.

No Reward.

The result is that we are the only county in this state under the County in this state under the County Road System who are not receiving large sums of money from the State Highway Reward Fund.

Suspicion is created that the county road funds are not properly cared for and are not properly expended, and general dis-satisfaction is manifested by large numbers of the citizens as to the wisdom of appropriating adequate sums of money for the construction of county roads. The remedy lies largely in your hands.

The present Commissioners are not to blame for the present condition of affairs. When they went into office, they found this system in force.

The first great error is the fact

the Commissioners seem to think that each County Road Commissioner should be actively employed by the Board at a steady compensation to supervise the building and care of the roads.

The result is, they divide the County into 3 districts and the money into three parts. Each commissioner takes a district and 1-3 the money and acts independent of the others and is accountable to no one.

It is the intent of the County Road law that the County Road Commissioners should act solely as administrative officers the same as the Common Council or Board of Education, and not in the dual capacity of commissioners and superintendents.

Must Hire Engineer.

The law provides that they must hire a County Highway Engineer for Superintendent.

The result is that our commissioners are receiving from the public funds in the neighborhood of \$1,000 to \$1,500 each per year making a total of from \$3,000 to \$4,500 per year for administering the county road funds amounting to from \$25,000 to \$30,000 per year. In other words, Alpena County spends upward of 15 per cent per year to the administrative officers in superintending the distribution of this fund.

The city expends annually in the neighborhood of \$150,000, at a cost for the Common Council and City Manager of between \$3,000 to \$3,500 per year, or about 2 per cent for administrative expenses.

In most counties the County Road Commissioners receive compensation of from \$50 to \$100 per year each.

In Dickinson County the County Road Commissioners receive \$60 per cent year each.

That our County Road Commissioners are able to receive any such amount of the tax-payers money is due entirely to the Board of Supervisors.

Sec. 8 of the County Road law provides that the Board of Supervisors shall fix the compensation of the Commissioners and if you would fix the compensation of the Road Commissioners at \$75 per year each, the same as it is fixed in many other counties, this would be all the com-

pensation that the County Road Commissioners could receive for their services.

This would be ample compensation for all the time they are required to give under the County Road Law.

Can't Employ Selves.

Section 10 specially says that no County Road Commissioner shall be interested as employee in any work carried on by said board. How can the Board hire themselves as superintendents?

The Law contemplated that the Commissioners shall meet when necessary, decide where roads shall be built, how built, the form of the contracts to be let and all other such matters. The details of carrying out the work is in the hands of the County Highway Engineer and other employees of the Commissioners.

The Commissioners should meet as a body, accept the work done by the contractors upon reports by the County Highway engineer, order the proper accounts paid, which accounts would be paid by the County Treasurer upon proper warrants signed by the Chairman and clerk.

Section 10 of the Road Law makes it mandatory that the Commissioners shall employ a county highway engineer, who shall exercise supervision over all construction, and make all surveys and plans, and have supervision over all roads etc.

The Commissioners have failed to do this, but have employed themselves in exercising general supervision.

Must Be By Contract.

Section 19 provides that all construction, roads, and bridges shall be built and maintained in accordance with the plans and specifications furnished by the County Highway Engineer who shall have full supervision of the work.

The law provides that all work shall be let by contract in accordance with these plans and specifications; and in all cases involving an expenditure of \$500 or more they shall advertise for sealed bids for the work.

The Board has the right to reject any and all bids, and then perform the work by day labor; but if they decide to reject the bids and do the work by day labor, before they do so, the plans and specifications, together with all bids received thereon, and the reasons in writing for

not letting the job by contract, must be filed in the office of the County Clerk.

The Supreme Court in the case of Brandt vs. Miller, 177 Mich, page 184, in construing the County road law says: "There is no express power conferred upon the Board to enter into the business of road building. That it was plainly the intention of the Legislature that all roads under the County Road Commissioners should be constructed by contract.

Our Commissioners have acted and are acting in direct violation of these proceedings.

They have never had plans and specifications prepared; nor let any contracts for performing the work, nor advertised for any contracts, but have entered into the business of road building themselves.

Experience in other counties have shown that the most satisfactory results can be obtained in road building by letting contracts. That is the reason that the Legislature provided that the County Roads should be built by contract. That the State Reward roads should be built by contract; and that the Federal Aid roads should be built by contract.

If proper plans and specifications were prepared, and in accordance with the State specifications, Alpena County could be receiving thousands of dollars for State rewards.

Lachine-Long Rapids.

Take the Lachine-Long Rapids road, four miles. There has already been appropriated for this road in 1914 and '15 \$3,000, of which about \$1,300 has been spent. The Commissioners asked \$3,000 this year for this road—making a total of \$6,000.

A stone gravel road could be built on this road at a cost of \$2,500 per mile, or \$10,000. The State would pay a reward of \$1,500 per mile or \$6,000 and build a new bridge across Thunder Bay River at a cost of \$8,000 to \$10,000, and the county would have the old bridge worth upwards of \$3,000 to use somewhere else.

On this basis the net cost to the county in money would be \$4,000, and the old bridge worth \$3,000. In addition to this, to say nothing of the four miles of the best road in the county, a road 20 feet wide and

a road bed of 4 inches of crushed stone, with three inches of gravel on top. Besides this, the state would pay annually \$240 toward maintaining this piece of road.

While, if this road is built without State aid, it will cost the county over \$6,000. The county will have to maintain the bridges on the road, and when the road is completed, it will only be 14 to 18 ft. wide with a road bed of 3 to 4 inches of gravel, besides paying all the yearly cost of maintenance.

What is true of this road would be true of the road North from Keatings Corners, or most any other road which the Commissioners might build.

At one time the State Highway Commissioners in looking over the State Trunk Line Highway in Alpena County the road from Alcona County to Alpena, and the road from Alpena through Lachine, Long Rapids and Posen agreed to accept most of this road as half completed, and upon putting on the additional amount of gravel and widening out the road in the narrow places, would pay the State Reward amounting to from \$1,000 to \$1,500 per mile.

In many cases, the State Reward would amount to more than sufficient to do the work required by the State.

In addition to this, when this was done, all bridges on the roads would be built and maintained at State expense.

County Appropriations.

In the last three years, 1914, '15 and '16, the Board of Supervisors have appropriated for the construction and maintenance of all county roads over \$75,000, as follows:

The Alpena-Wilson-Hobson-Hillman road, 29 miles, \$15,800.

Lachine road 3 3-4 miles \$3,000.

Saline Road, 2 miles \$1,600.

Road South of Farman's corner, 2 miles, range line road \$3,100.

Stubbs Road 4 3-4 miles \$3,500.

The Alpena-Hubbard Lake road, 27 miles \$10,000.

The Werth road extension, 6 miles \$1,400.

The Werth road, 4 miles \$7,000.

Sanborn road 9 1/2 miles \$6,000.

Jackson road, 2 miles \$4,000.

Long Swamp road, 8 1/4 miles \$9,500.

Long Rapids road, 14 miles \$5,500.

Long Lake Road, 4 3-4 miles \$3,500.

French Road, 7 3-10 miles \$3,500.

Selina Road, 4 miles, \$3,000

Cathro Road, 7 miles \$2,000.

The United States Government has recently appropriated \$85,000,000 for roads. Of this sum, Michigan would receive over \$2,500,000.

Under the arrangements made, the Federal Government would pay one-half the cost of the roads built under Federal supervision, the state pay one-quarter and the counties one-quarter.

Alpena county will not be in position to receive any of this aid unless the Road Commissioners comply with the law in hiring a competent highway engineer, and road building is put upon the contract basis.

All of which is submitted in support of my petition of even date.

Dated, Alpena, Oct. 13, 1916.

Yours very respectfully,

HENRY K. GUSTIN.

Moved by Supervisor Cobb and supported by Supervisor Sleator, that every dollar of County money expended by the County Road Commissioners hereafter, be expended legally and according to law.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Moved by Supervisor Cobb and supported by Supervisor Sharp, that Supervisor Sleator act in conjunction with the Road and Bridge Committee to investigate the State Award proposition for County Roads.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Detention Home.

Mr. John Wilson County Agent appeared before the Board in regards to a Detention Home for Children that are too small to be taken to the detention room in Police Headquarters.

Supervisor Cobb advised Mr. Wilson to look for a suitable place for

such detention room and report to this Board.

Report of Building and Grounds Committee.

Alpena Mich., Oct. 11, 1916.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County:

Gentlemen:

We, your Committee on Buildings and Grounds beg to report as follows:

We have caused to be put up by contract a stand pipe in the County Poor House for Fire protection. We believe this will reduce the cost of fire insurance on this property.

The County Jail has been painted and papered throughout, and linoleum placed in the Sheriff's office.

Purchased 150 feet hose for Court House Grounds. Had two windows placed in vegetable building at Fair Grounds.

We have ordered the necessary amount of coal for both the Jail and Court House.

Respectfully submitted,
MOSES SHARP,
JOHN BECK,
A. B. CROW,

Building and Grounds Committee.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and supported by Supervisor Woelk, that the report of the Building and Grounds Committee be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Michigan Children's Home Society.

WHEREAS, The Michigan Children's Home Society, a Michigan corporation with its principal office at St. Joseph, Michigan, is now at its own expense caring for children who might otherwise be a public charge in this county, and,

WHEREAS, the said Society agrees to continue caring for such children so that the same will not be a public charge in this county, and,

WHEREAS, the said Society is engaged in taking for adoption and permanently placing homeless children,

suitable in the opinion of the Board of Trustees of said Society for adoption into home; which children might otherwise become public charges in this county.

NOW THEREFORE, In consideration that the said Michigan Children's Home Society continues to care for the children of this county now being cared for by it, and in consideration that the said Society takes for adoption such children as hereinbefore mentioned, for the period of one year and without expense to this county,

BE IT RESOLVED, as a partial payment for the expenses thus incurred by the Michigan Children's Home Society, that this county pays to the said Michigan Children's Home Society the sum of \$200.00.

The above resolution offered by Supervisor Sharp and supported by Supervisor Portwine, carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe and Moussette. Nays, None.
Detention Room for Tubercular Patients.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and supported by Supervisor Fox, that the Building and Grounds Committee be authorized to act in conjunction with the Poor Board to investigate the Civic League proposition in regards to a place for Tubercular Patients, with power and authority to act.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. 14. Nays, Supervisors Lunney and Portwine. 2.

A bill for \$4.05 was presented by Miss Florence Boddy, Visiting Nurse, for expenses incurred in transferring Mrs. Beatrice Pressy to the State Sanatorium.

Moved by Supervisor Sharp and supported by Supervisor Woelk, that the above bill for \$4.05 be allowed and an order drawn on the Contingent fund for same.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb,

Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Report of Salaries of County Officers.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 13, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County.

Gentlemen:

We your Committee to whom was referred the matter of fixing the salaries of the County Officers for the ensuing two years would recommend that the salaries be placed at the following amounts.

Judge of Probate, \$1300 per year; Judge of Juvenile Court, \$200 per year; Probate Register, \$600 per year; County Treasurer, \$1500 per year and fees; County Clerk, \$1000 per year and fees; Deputy County Clerk, \$840 per year; Prosecuting attorney, \$1500 per year; Court Stencographer \$1000 per year; School Commissioner \$1000 per year; School Commissioner for auto, \$100 per year; Janitor, \$780 per year; Sheriff for Horse hire, \$300 per year; Care taker of Fair Grounds, \$390 per year, paid as follows: January, February and March, \$10 per month; Remainder of year, \$40 per month.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED E. ASH,
MOSES SHARP,
H. W. PORTWINE,

Moved by Supervisor Beck and supported by Supervisor Ash, that the report of the Committee on Salaries be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. 15. Nays, Supervisor Lunney. 1.

Supplementary Report of the Ways and Means Committee.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 10, 1916.

We the Ways and Means committee, who have had under consideration the rejected Tax list referred to us have made a careful examination of the same and would respectfully

report that much rejected taxes be re-assessed as follows:

That so many of the items of the rejected taxes on the rejected tax list, of the Auditor General of the State of Michigan, dated June 30th, 1916, which said rejected Tax list is now on file in the office of the County Treasurer of this County as are marked "A" be, and the same are hereby ordered re-assessed upon the several descriptions of property upon which they were ordinarily assessed respectively and the total amount thereof in the several townships and City of Alpena, being as follows:

Schedule "A".

Alpena Township	\$123.55
Green Township	23.71
Ossineke Township	56.52
Sanborn Township	1.76
City of Alpena	613.94

And that so many of the items in said rejected Tax List as are marked "B" be, and the same are hereby ordered re-assessed upon the several townships and City upon which they are returned respectively, the total amount thereof assessed upon each township and City of Alpena as follows:

Alpena Township	\$105.62
Green Township	44.21
Long Rapids Township	32.83
Maple Ridge Township	27.05
Ossineke Township	73.74
Sanborn Township	1.92
Wellington Township	19.30
Wilson Township	39.16
City of Alpena	90.52

And that the City Assessor of the City of Alpena, and the Supervisors of the several Townships are hereby directed to spread upon the Tax rolls of their respective City and Townships such several items and amounts as are hereby ordered re-assessed upon the several descriptions in, and upon the City and townships at large respectively.

We further beg leave to report, and recommend that the portion of the Charge Back covering the N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, S. W. $\frac{1}{4}$, N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$, and Lot 3, 4 & 5 of Sec. 20, Town 31 N. R. 8 East which has been charged

back to Alpena County by the Auditor General for the reason" Part Government land" and upon investigation we can not determine whether it is a proper charge back against the Township of Alpena on account of the undecided decision of the Auditor General, we would recommend that this portion of the Charge back be charged to the township of Alpena either under Schedule "A" or "B" if it is decided by the Auditor General that it is a proper charge back against the County of Alpena, and that the County Treasurer be instructed to act according to the decision of the Auditor General.

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. ST. CHARLES,
W. T. SLEATOR,
RICHARD COOMBS,
JOSEPH H. COBB.

Moved by Supervisor Ash and supported by Supervisor Woelk, that the above supplementary report of the Committee on Ways and Means be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk, and Moussette. Nays, None.

Report of Prosecuting Attorney.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 13th, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County:
Gentlemen:

I hereby certify that I have examined the statements made by the Township Clerks of the Several Townships of the County of Alpena, of the proceedings directing the raising of money by tax in the Townships of Alpena, Green, Long Rapids, Maple Ridge, Ossineke, Sanborn, Wellington and Wilson and find the same correct and according to law.

CARL R. HENRY,
Prosecuting Attorney.

Moved by Supervisor Sleator and supported by Supervisor Hughes, that the report of the Prosecutor be received and placed on file. Carried.
Report of Road and Bridge

Committee.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 11, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County:
Gentlemen:

We your Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to submit the following report as our report of the Roads and Bridges of the County.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

John Keating, Commissioner.

Looking over the Long Lake and French Roads we found these roads in excellent condition, excepting that they were wearing down and in need of new gravel.

The Long Rapids Road from the City to Long Rapids we found to be in first class condition.

The Cathro Road, a new road, is not in very good condition as yet, excepting as to where new gravel has been placed.

Orchard Hill road. We found a good Bridge built over the Main River and nothing much done upon the road. We do not recommend an expenditures upon this road as we do not think it is absolutely necessary.

The Posen Road is a new road and we found same in poor condition excepting that portion that has been worked up and gravelled. The bridge on this Road crossing the North Branch is almost impassable, the abutments being washed out. We understand the Commissioner has refused to do any more work upon this road until the Township of Long Rapids furnishes \$500.00 to him or repair the Bridge as agreed between them.

Selina Road we found in very poor condition. There is the need of building a Dike about 15 rods long in order to keep the road bed from being washed away. We do not recommend much expenditure on this road as the travel does not warrant same. This road being used mostly by the rural carrier.

Long Swamp road we find badly in need of gravel. There are two piles of gravel along this road and ought to be spread upon the road. This gravel was hauled during the winter on sleighs.

Abutments are being built at the North Branch Bridge and after being completed this bridge will be in good condition.

Selina road bridge is in good shape.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Gideon J. Burton, Commissioner.

The Stubbs road, a new road we found in good condition.

The Hillman road is also in fine condition.

The Wilson road we found in fair condition with the exception of minor repairs that was called to the attention of the Commissioner.

The Range Line road is in fair condition excepting the west end and which the Commissioner is rebuilding at present.

The Bridges in this District are in very good condition.

The Lachine road is in fair condition, narrow in places which ought to be widened from the East side. We understand that the Township has agreed to take care of the water along this road, to date this has not been done. The north mile on this road has not been completed.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

George Stovel, Commissioner.

The Sanborn road is in fair condition, but needs some gravel in places. There has been two small bridges built on this road and they are in good shape.

Hubbard Lake road running from the City to Hubbard Lake is in fair condition. The bridges are also in fair condition.

The Jackson road has been graded and gravelled for two miles and in good condition.

Wilson road going into the Spratt settlement we find needs repairing on the fills at the Werth Bridge. The road is in fair condition up to the swamp. Two miles being a new road. The road going around the swamp has been started to cut off the swamp. A ditch has been dug $\frac{1}{2}$ mile on each side and a mile at the outlet. There is yet a $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to dig.

We have inspected the gravel pit in District No. 2 and find the County Gravel Pit to be poor in quality.

The Commissioners all reported that it was hard to get men this year to work at last years wages. In many cases they have had to pay more for work done than in past years.

The Committee recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt a resolution to the effect that the Board of County Road Commission-

ers of this County drop from the County Road system all cross roads now in their Districts, as soon as same are repaired or built.

Respectfully,
 ROSCOE ELLSWORTH,
 ROLAND HUGHES,
 JOS. ST. CHARLES,
 JOS. ST.

Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by Supervisor Woelk and supported by Supervisor St. Charles, that the report of the Road and Bridge Committee be referred to the County Road Commissioners.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. 14. Nays, Supervisors, Cobb and Coombs. **Northern Michigan Development Bureau.**

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor VanSipe. that the sum of \$500.00 be drawn on the Contingent Fund of the County of Alpena for membership Fee in the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau.

Moved by Supervisor Lunney and supported by Supervisor Sharp, as an amendment to the above motion that \$200.00 be drawn on the Contingent fund for Membership Fee in the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau.

Carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Woelk and Moussette. 13. Nays, Supervisors, Ash, Portwine and VanSipe. 3.

The original motion as amended then carried by vote as follows:—Ayes, Supervisors, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Sleator, St. Charles, Woelk and Moussette. 13. Nays, Supervisors, Ash, Portwine and VanSipe. 3.

Delegates to Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau.

The Chair appointed as nominees who shall be elected Directors of the Northeastern Michigan Development Bureau at its annual meeting to be held in Bay City, Mich., January 1917. Supervisors Sharp and Coombs.

Printing.

The bid of the Alpena Echo Daily

Echo to print the official proceedings of the Board of Supervisors for the ensuing year at the rate of 70 cents per folio and furnish 100 supplements free.

And the bid of the Alpena Evening News Pub. Co. to print the official proceedings of the Board of Supervisors at the rate of 70 cents per folio and furnish the proceedings in pamphlet form for \$15.00 extra were read.

Moved by Sup. Woelk and supported by Sup. Coombs that the bid of the Alpena Echo Publishing Company for the printing of the official proceedings of the Board at 70 cents per folio and the furnishing of 100 supplements free as per bid, be accepted.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Majority Report of the Committee On Equalization.

Moved by Supervisor Cobb and supported by Supervisor Ash that the Majority report of the Committee on Equalization, be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Lost by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Crow, Hughes, Sleator, Woelk and Moussette, 8.

Nays, Supervisors, Coombs, Ellsworth, Fox, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, St. Charles and Van Sipe. 8.

Majority Report of the Committee on Equalization

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County, Michigan:
GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Equalization, after carefully examining the Assessment Rolls of the different Townships and Wards in the County, herewith beg to submit the following report as the result of their labors in Equalizing said Assessment Rolls for the year 1916.

Names of Twps. and Cities	No. Acres Assessed	REAL ESTATE				Personal Estate	Total Eq. Val.
		Total Asssd Valuation	As Assessed	Amt. Deducted	As Equalized		
Alpena Township-----	61,846.61	939,110 \$	825,130	214,885 \$	610,245	113,980 \$	724,225
Green Township-----	50,900.63	679,215 \$	645,640	155,416	490,224	33,575	523,799
Long Rapids Township----	30,648.61	544,200 \$	504,305	124,522	379,783	39,895	419,678
Maple Ridge Township-----	34,257.76	284,260 \$	266,100	65,043	201,057	18,160	219,217
Ossineke Township -----	62,148.52	738,815 \$	704,760	169,053	535,707	34,055	569,762
Sanborn Township -----	26,391.93	418,320 \$	375,950	95,719	280,231	42,370	322,601
Wellington Township -----	34,271.37	331,920 \$	315,670	75,949	239,721	16,250	255,971
Wilson Township -----	43,464.44	893,105 \$	792,860	204,358	588,502	100,245	688,747
City of Alpena-----		7,865,600 \$	5,912,200	1,789,600	4,122,600	1,953,400	6,076,000
Total -----	343,929.87	12,694,545 \$	10,342,615	\$2,894,545	\$7,448,070	\$2,351,930	\$9,800,000

Dated, this 13th day of October, 1916.
All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE MOUSSETTE,
W. F. WOELK,
JOSEPH H. COBB,
Committee on Equalization.

Minority Report of the Committee on Equalization

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County, Michigan:
GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Equalization, after carefully examining the Assessment Rolls of the different Townships and Wards in the County, herewith beg to submit the following minority report as the result of their labors in Equalizing said Assessment Roll for the year 1916.

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Alpena Township -----	61,846.61	939,110 \$	825,130	257,030	568,100	113,980	682,080	
Green Township -----	50,900.63	679,215 \$	645,640	172,555	473,085	33,575	506,660	
Long Rapids Township -----	30,648.61	544,200 \$	504,305	138,480	365,825	39,895	405,720	
Maple Ridge Township -----	34,257.76	284,260 \$	266,100	80,420	185,680	18,160	203,840	
Ossineke Township -----	62,148.52	738,815 \$	704,760	210,595	494,165	34,055	528,220	
Sanborn Township -----	26,391.93	418,320 \$	375,950	116,480	259,470	42,370	301,840	
Wellington Township -----	34,271.37	331,920 \$	315,670	84,960	230,710	16,250	246,960	
Wilson Township -----	43,464.44	893,105 \$	792,860	240,425	552,435	100,245	652,680	
City of Alpena -----		7,865,600 \$	5,912,200	1,593,600	4,318,600	1,953,400	6,272,000	
Total -----	343,929.87	12,694,545 \$	10,342,615	\$2,894,545	\$7,448,070	\$2,351,930	\$9,800,000	

All of which is respectfully submitted.
Dated, this 13th day of October, 1916.

E. H. FOX,
MOSES SHARP,
Committee on Equalization.

Moved by Sup. Portwine and supported by Sup. VanSipe that the Minority report of the Committee on Equalization, be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Lost by vote as follows—Nays, Supervisors, Coombs, Ellsworth, Fox, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, St. Charles and VanSipe, 8.

Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Crow, Hughes, Sleator, Woelk and Mousette. 8.

Agricultural Society.

Moved by Sup. Sleator and supported by Sup. Beck that an order for the amount of the deficit \$998.23 be drawn on the Contingent Fund in favor of the proper officials of the Agricultural Society.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes,

Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk, and Mousette. 15

Nays, Supervisor, Lunney. 1.

Moved by Sup. Portwine and supported by Sup. Sharp that the Board take a recess until tomorrow at 10:00 A. M. Carred.

Saturday Session.

County Clerk's Office
Alpena, Mich., Oct. 14, 1916.

The Board of Supervisors for the County of Alpena, met in the County Clerk's Office and was called to Order at 10:00 A. M. by the Chairman.

Roll called, all the members being present.

Report of Committee on Equalization

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Alpena County, Michigan:
GENTLEMEN—Your Committee on Equalization, after carefully examining the Assessment Rolls of the different Townships and Wards in the County, herewith beg to submit the following majority report as the result of their labors in Equalizing said Assessment Roll for the year 1916.

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		Total Assd Valuation	As Assessed	Amt. Deducted	As Equalized	Personal Estate	
Alpena Township -----	61,846.61	939,110	\$ 825,130	\$ 227,135	\$ 597,995	\$ 113,980	\$ 711,975
Green Township -----	50,900.63	679,215	\$ 645,640	167,666	477,974	33,575	511,549
Long Rapids Township -----	30,648.61	544,200	\$ 504,305	136,772	367,533	39,895	407,428
Maple Ridge Township -----	34,257.76	284,260	\$ 266,100	77,293	188,807	18,160	206,967
Ossineke Township -----	62,148.52	738,815	\$ 704,760	181,303	523,457	34,055	557,512
Sanborn Township -----	26,391.93	418,320	\$ 375,950	107,969	267,981	42,370	310,351
Wellington Township -----	34,271.37	331,920	\$ 315,670	88,199	227,471	16,250	243,721
Wilson Township -----	43,464.44	893,105	\$ 792,860	216,608	576,252	100,245	676,497
City of Alpena -----		7,865,600	\$ 5,912,200	1,691,600	4,220,600	1,953,400	6,174,000
Total -----	343,929.87	12,694,545	\$ 10,342,615	\$ 2,894,545	\$ 7,448,070	\$ 2,351,930	\$ 9,800,000

All of which is respectfully submitted.
Dated, this 14th day of October, 1916.

GEORGE MOUSSETTE,
W. F. WOELK,
JOSEPH H. COBB,
E. H. FOX,
MOSES SHARP,
Committee on Equalization.

Moved by Sup Sharp, and supported by Sup. Beck that the report of the Committee on Equalization be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Fox, Hughes, Sharp, Sleator, Woelk and Mousette. II. Nays, Supervisors, Ellsworth, Lunney, Portwine, St. Charles and VanSipe. 5.

The Char excused Sup. Ash.

Municipal Court.

Municipal Judge Smith made an oral report of the cases handled in the Municipal Court since he assumed that office. 120 Cases in all. 46 County Cases and 59 Police Cases and 15 civil Cases. He paid into the County \$160.50 in fines and stated that the work would be about one-third for the County and two-thirds for the City.

Moved by Sup Sharp and supported by Sup. Ellsworth that an order for \$400.00 be drawn on the Contngent Fund in favor of the City of Alpena to help pay the salary of the Municipal Judge.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Beck, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Mousette. 13.

Supervisors Cobb and Fox not voting. Sup. Ash absent.

School Commissioner Clerk Hire.

Carl R. Henry, Prosecuting Attorney, made an oral report on the bills of the County School Commissioner, E. L. Little, for Clerk Hire, referred to the full Board by the Auditing Committee, that the County was not legally liable for the payment of said bills.

Moved by Sup. Ellsworth and supported by Sup. Lunney that the bills of E. L. Little for Clerk hire be disallowed.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Beck, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Mousette. 14. Supervisor Cobb not voting and Sup. Ash, absent, 2.

Detention Home.

County Agent Wilson appeared before the Board and reported that Mrs. James Worinak of 805 Tawas street would take care of Children at the rate of 50 cents per day for one day or \$3.00 per week, if they stayed one week or longer.

Moved by Sup. Crow and supported by Sup. Beck that Mrs. James Worniak of 805 Tawas street be paid 50 cents per day or \$3.00 per week per child for the care of Children in charge of County Agent Wilson pending action by the Probate Court or final disposition of their cases.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Mousette. 15. Sup. Ash absent. 1.

Tuberculosis Home.

Moved by Sup. Beck and supported by Sup. St. Charles that the Superintendent's of the Poor be authorized to enter into a contract with Mrs. Ida Bruneau to take care of the Tuberculosis cases at an expense of not to exceed \$1.00 per day.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes Supervisors, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, VanSipe, Woelk and Mousette. 15. Sup. Ash absent, 1.

Supervisor Ash entered and took his seat.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 14, 1916.
To the Honorable Board of Supervisors:

Gentlemen: Your Committee on apportionment recommends that the several Amounts to be raised for State, County and County Road purposes for the year 1916, be apportioned and taxed on the several townships and the City of Alpena as follows:

City of Alpena.

State Tax -----	\$15,921.93
County Tax -----	43,928.07
County Road Tax -----	11,340.00
Total	<hr/> \$71,190.00

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Alpena Township.	
State Tax -----	\$1,836.08
County Tax -----	5,065.67
County Road Tax -----	1,307.70

Total \$8,209.45

Green Township.	
State Tax -----	\$1,319.25
County Tax -----	3,639.75
County Road Tax -----	939.60

Total \$5,898.60

Long Rapids Township.	
State Tax -----	\$1,050.59
County Tax -----	2,898.56
County Road Tax -----	748.26

Total \$4,697.41

Maple Ridge Township.	
State Tax -----	\$ 533.16
County Tax -----	1,472.64
County Road Tax -----	380.16

Total \$2,386.56

Ossineke Township.	
State Tax -----	\$1,437.78
County Tax -----	3,966.77
County Road Tax -----	1,024.02

Total \$6,428.57

Sanborn Township.	
State Tax -----	\$ 800.39
County Tax -----	2,208.26
County Road Tax -----	570.06

Total \$3,578.71

Wellington Township.	
State Tax -----	\$ 628.54
County Tax -----	1,734.11
County Road Tax -----	447.66

Total \$2,810.31

Wilson Township.	
State Tax -----	\$1,744.59
County Tax -----	4,813.26
County Road Tax -----	1,242.54

Total \$7,800.39

Your Committee further recommends that the several Townships and the City of Alpena of Alpena County, be authorized and directed by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Alpena to spread upon their respective rolls for the year 1916, the following sums and for the following purposes:

City of Alpena.	
Rejected tax, reassessed on Description -----	\$613.94
Rejected tax, City at large -----	90.52

Total \$704.46

Alpena Township.	
Township Tax -----	\$1,000.00
Road Repair Tax, 2 mills -----	1,664.39
Highway Improvement Tax, 2 mills -----	1,664.39

Union School District No. 1

Tax ----- 5,356.38

Practical School District No. 13 tax ----- 125.00

Rejected Tax, reassessed on description ----- 123.55

Rejected Tax, Township at large ----- 105.62

Total \$10,039.33

Green Township.	
Township Tax -----	\$ 600.00
Road Repair Tax -----	1,130.00
Highway Improvement Tax -----	1,130.00

Union School District No. 1

Tax ----- 2,000.00

Rejected Tax, reassessed on description ----- 23.71

Rejected Tax, Township at large ----- 44.21

Total 4,927.92

Long Rapids Township.	
Township Tax -----	\$ 300.00
Road Repair Tax -----	1,385.40
Highway Improvement Tax -----	1,385.40

School Tax, Union District

Rejected Tax, Township at

large ----- 32.83

Total 5,603.63

Maple Ridge Township.	
Township Tax -----	\$ 500.00
Road Repair Tax 1-4 per cent -----	710.00
Highway Improvement Tax 1-4 per cent -----	710.00

nion School District Tax--

Practical School District

No. 13 Tax ----- 62.50

Rejected Tax, Township at large ----- 27.05

Total 3,009.55

Ossineke Township.

Township Tax -----	\$ 700.00	
Road Repair Tax -----	\$ 900.00	
Highway Improvement Tax	1,500.00	
School Tax -----	300.00	
School Tax No. 2 General--	300.00	
School Tax No. 3		
Building -----	\$400.00	
General -----	800.00	1,200.00
School Tax No. 4 General--		200.00
Rejected Tax, reassessed on		
description -----		56.52
Rejected Tax, Township at		
large -----		73.74
Total		\$5,230.26

Sanborn Township.

Township Tax -----	\$ 400.00	
Road Repair Tax -----	1,034.21	
Highway Improvement Tax	150.00	
Bridge Tax -----	700.00	
School Tax General -----	1,000.00	
Rejected Tax, reassessed on		
description -----		1.76
Rejected tax, Township at		
large -----		1.92
Total		\$3,287.89

Wellington Township.

Township Tax -----	\$ 300.00	
Road Repair Tax -----	829.80	
Highway Improvement Tax	1,000.00	
School Tax one mill-----	331.92	
School Tax -----	1,720.00	
Rejected Tax, Township at		
large -----		19.30
Total		\$4,201.02

Wilson Township.

Township Tax -----	\$ 700.00	
Road Repair Tax -----	1,500.00	
Highway Improvement Tax	1,500.00	
School Tax -----	4,000	
Rejected Tax, Township at		
large -----		39.16
Total		\$7,739.16

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED E. ASH,
ROLAND HUGHES.

Moved by Sup. Beck and supported by Sup. Woelk that the report of the Committee on Apportionment be accepted, adopted and spread at length on the minutes of this meeting.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb,

Coombs, Crow, Hughes, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, St. Charles, Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. 13. Nays, Supervisors Fox and Lunney, Supervisor Ellsworth, not voting. 3. Moved by Sup. Portwine and supported by Sup. Coombs that the Board take a recess until 2:00 o'clock P. M. Carried.

Afternoon

County Clerk's Office.

Alpena, Mich., Oct. 14, 1916.

The Board of Supervisors for the County of Alpena, met in the County Clerk's Office and was called to order by the Charman at 2:00 o'clock P. M.

Roll called all members being present except Supervisors, St. Charles and Lunney.

Moved by Sup. Sleator and supported by Sup. Woelk that we reconsider the motion in regard to the acceptance of the report of the Committee on Apportionment. Carried.

Moved by Sup. Beck and supported by Sup. Woelk that the report of the Committee on Apportionment be accepted, adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Carried by vot as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Fox, Hughes, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, VanSipe, Woelk and Mousette. 13.

Nays, Supervisors Ellsworth. Absent. 2.

Supervisor Lunny entered and took his seat.

Delegate to State Supervisor Meeting.

Moved by Sup. Sharp and supported by Sup. Fox that the Chairman be appointed as a delegate to the Michigan State Supervisors Association to be held in Lansing, Tuesday Feb. 3, 1917 and that he appoint a delegate to attend the convention with him and that orders be drawn to pay the Associate Fees of said delegate.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, VanSipe and Woelk. 14. Nays, None. Sup. Moussette, not votng and one absent. 2.

Long Swamp Road.

Moved by Sup. Beck and supported by Sup. Lunney that the County Road Commissioners be recommended to hire some one to spread the gravel now along side of the road, on the Long Swamp Road and build cement culvert on Long Swamp Road.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Alpena Township Drain.

Moved by Sup. Sleator and supported by Supervisor Woelk, that the Road and Bridge Committee working in conjunction with the Supervisor of Alpena township and the Prosecuting Attorney, be directed to investigate the alleged claims for damage by flooding made by Messrs. La-Marre and Allen and the possible claims of other property owners owning land in the vicinity of the lands alleged to be flooded, and that such Committee be empowered and authorized to make settlement with such property owners as in their judgment they deem to the best interest of the County, and that in event, such Committee recommend any settlements that the Chairman be authorized to sign an order for the payment thereof upon the Contingent fund such order to be countersigned by the Clerk and paid upon presentation by the County Treasurer, and that said Committee file with the clerk, a report of their actions in pursuance of this resolution.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Compensation of County Road Commissioners.

Moved by Sup. Crow and supported by Sup. Sleator that the compensation of the County Road Commissioners be placed at \$100.00 each per year, the compensation to commence forthwith.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Hughes, Sharp, Sleator, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. 11. Nays, Supervisors Fox and Portwine, 2. Supervisors Ellsworth and Lunney, not voting. 2. Absent, 1.

State Tax Homestead Lands.

Moved by Sup. Ash, supported by Sup. Sharp that our State Representative be asked to endeavor to secure an act of the State Legislature providing that all State Tax Homestead lands not comprised in any established state reserve, be returned to market and made subject to sale.

Carried by vote as follows—Ayes, Supervisors, Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator, VanSipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

Moved by Supervisor Portwine and supported by Supervisor Fox, that the following mileage and per diem be allowed. Carried by votes as follows: Ayes: Supervisor Ash, Beck, Cobb, Coombs, Crow, Ellsworth, Fox, Hughes, Lunney, Portwine, Sharp, Sleator Van Sipe, Woelk and Moussette. Nays, None.

	Miles	Days	Total
Alfred E. Ash	2	6	\$24.12
John Beck	2	6	24.12
Joseph H. Cobb	2	6	24.12
Amos B. Crow	2	6	24.12
Richards Coombs	42	6	26.52
Roscoe Ellsworth	42	6	26.52
Egbert H. Fox	36	6	26.16
Roland H. Hughes	2	6	24.12
James B. Lunney	50	6	27.00
George Moussette	2	6	24.12
Henry W. Portwine	24	6	25.44
Moses Sharp	28	6	25.68
Wm. T. Sleator	2	6	24.12
Wm. F. Woelk	2	6	24.12
Joseph St. Charles	30	6	25.80
Louis J. VanSipe	10	6	24.60
			404.68

Moved by Sup. Portwine and supported by Sup. Woelk that the Board adjourn without day. Carried.

R. L. McGILLIS,
Clerk.



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